Governing Bodies and its Colleges;

(iii) Appointment of Vice-Chancellor by an Electoral College comprising members of the Executive Council, Academic Council and other teachers, students, Karamcharies, relevant professionals and Social groups elected specifically for that purpose; and

(iv) Restricting the exercise of emergency powers by the Vice-Chancellor to specified areas subject to approval and endorsement by the Executive Council and Academic Council of the University.

The Government will examine the above suggestions of DUTA.

One rank-one pension scheme for Ex-servicemen

127. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to introduce one-rank-one pension scheme for ex-servicemen;

(b) whether Government have set up a Committee to examine all aspects of the demand for "one rank one pension";

(c) if so, whether the Committee has since submitted its report to Government;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and the financial commitment involved in the proposal; and

(e) what is the present stage of this proposal and by when Government propose to implement the recommendations of the committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) to (e) A Committee has been instituted by the Government of India to examine all aspects of the demand for 'One Rank One Pension' for ex-servicemen. The Committee is expected to submit its report by 31-3-1990.

Cruelty of blind students

128. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that blind students of Rashtriya Virjanand Andha Kanya Senior Secondary School, New Delhi has been locked in their school hostel by the Principal since 9th February, 1990 and also were beaten and terrorised by her, as reported in the Indian Express dated the 15th February, 1990;

(b) if so, whether Government have investigated or propose to investigate into the matter; if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to suspend the Principal of the school;

(d) what other steps Government propose to take to check recurrence of in-human treatment to blind students; and

(e) whether a school gets a grant of rupees six lakhs from the Delhi Administration; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Government is aware of such reports appearing in a section of the press.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. The matter was investigated by the Additional Director in the Directorate of Education, Delhi Administration. The details of the investigation are given in the statement attached ,(*See* below). It is the management of the school which is competent to suspend the Principal or initiate disciplinary action. Delhi Administration has issued directions for suspension of the Principal.

(e) Delhi Administration gives 95 per cent grant to the school for salary and other non-recurring items of expenditure. The amount of the quarterly grant to the school is Rs. 3,47,840|- approximately.

Statement

Findings of Enquiry Officer

(i) The students have alleged that they were beaten up by the Principal. The allegation of locking up the students by the Principal is not substantiated.

(ii) The Management Committee may be advised to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the Principal, Vice-Principal and Manager since they all have, allegedly indulged in promoting groups within the school and failed to discharge their duties with devotion and dedication.

(iii) Disciplinary proceedings may be taken against the Head-Clerk and Accountant with reference to various allegations, after verification of the accounts in detail.

(iv) The Management Committee should be reconstituted under Rule 59 of Delhi School Education Rules giving representation to an educationist, preferably to a blind woman, so that it may infuse confidence among the blind students, The teachers in the Management Committee should be elected, not nominated, as per rule 59 of Delhi School Education Rules 1973.

(v) Maintenance of accounts and running of hostel should be streamlined.

Delhi Administration has issued directions under Section 24(ii) of the Delhi School Education Act, 1973 to the management to the school for suspension of the Principal, disciplinary proceedings against the Vice-Principal, constitution of the Managing Committee in accordance with the rules, provision of equipment like braille press, tape recorders, readers etc., conduct of the remedial classes for weak students, constitution of a Committee to supervise the management and administration of the hostel, framing of rules and regulations for the hostel in consultation with the Directorate of Social Welfare, installation of public call telephone etc. Direction was also given that in any case students should not be evicted from the hostel or compelled to leave the hostel premises.

Setting up of special environment courts in the country

129. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up environmental courts in the country to deal with effectively and quickly with cases relating to environment; if so, the details thereof;

(b) in which states these courts would be set up and by when; and

(c) to what extent the said environmental courts would provide speedy justice and protect environmental pollution in the country?